Afforestation

472. SHRI THENNALA G. BALAKRISHNA PILLAI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the total area of deforestation taken place during the last 5 years;

(b) the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the total amount spent for afforestation from Central Government fund during the last five years;

(d) the details thereof, State-wise; and

(e) the total area of afforestation during the last five years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) and (b) The Forest Survey of India makes assessment of forest cover every two years at the national level. As per State of Forest Report 2003 prepared by Forest Survey of India, the forest cover in the country was 6,37,293 sq. km. in 1999 and 6,78,333 sq km in 2003. The State-wise details of forest cover in 1999 and 2003 are given in Statement-I (See below).

(c) to (e) National Afforestation Programme (NAP) Scheme is the major scheme being implemented by Ministry of Environment and Forests during the Tenth Five Year Plan. The scheme is being implemented through a two-tier decentralized mechanism of Forest Development Agency (FDA) at Forest Division level and Joint Forest Management Committees (JFMCs) at village level. The details of amount released to FDA projects and the project area approved for treatment during the period 2002-03 to 2005-06 and during 2006-07 (upto 30.6.2006) is given in Statement-ll.

Statement-II

State-wise details of Forest Cover in 1999 *and* 2003

SI.No.	Name of State	1999	2003
1.	Andhra Pradesh	44,229	44,419
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	68,847	68,019
3.	Assam	23,688	27,826

SI.No	. Name of State	1999	2003
4.	Bihar	4,830	5,558
5.	Chhattisgarh	56,693	55,998
6.	Goa	1,251	2,1156
7.	Gujarat	12,965	14,946
8.	Haryana	964	1,517
9.	Himachal Pradesh	13,082	14,353
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	20,441	21,267
11.	Jharkhand	21,644	22,716
12.	Karnataka	32,467	36,449
13.	Kerala	10,323	15,577
14.	Madhya Pradesh	75,137	76,429
15.	Maharashtra	46,672	46,865
16.	Manipur	17,384	17,219
17.	Meghalaya	15,633	16.839
18.	Mizoram	18,338	18,430
19.	Nagaland	14,164	13,609
20.	Orissa	47,033	48,366
21.	Punjab	1,412	1,580
22.	Rajasthan	13,871	15,826
23.	Sikkim	3,118	3,262
24.	Tamil Nadu	17,078	22,643
25.	Tripura	5,745	8,093
26.	Uttar Pradesh	10,756	14,118
27.	Uttaranchal	23,260	24,465
28.	West Bengal	8,362	12,343
29.	Andaman & Nicobar	7,606	6,964
30.	Chandigarh	7	15

SI.No. Name of State	1999	2003
31. Delhi	88	170
32. Dadra & N. Haveli	202	225
33. Daman & Diu	0	8
34. Lakshadweep	0	23
35. Pondicherry	0	40
TOTAL:	6,37,293	6,78,333

Source: State of Forest Report-2003, Forest Survey of India

Statement-ll

Amount released to FDA projects and the project area covered during the period 2002-03 *to* 2006-07 *(upto* 30.06.2006;

SI. No.	State	Project Area Approved in (in Hectares)	Total Release (Rs. in crores)
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	45,400	43.32
2.	Chhattisgarh	40,564	51.62
3.	Gujarat	28,945	29.04
4.	Haryana	12,705	32.36
5.	Himachal Pradesh	29,428	29.97
6.	Jammu & Kashmir	43,259	21.99
7.	Karnataka	58,555	76.59
8.	Madhya Pradesh	56,220	57.97
9.	Maharashtra	61,735	48.28
10.	Orissa	54,202	43.91
11.	Punjab	7,585	6.10

1	2	3	4
12.	Rajasthan	26,940	22.07
13.	Tamil Nadu	49.753	58.44
14.	Uttar Pradesh	55,660	77.12
15.	Uttaranchal	38,319	32.67
16.	Goa	1,250	0.64
17.	Jharkhand	39,850	30.01
18.	Bihar	12,315	8.04
19.	Kerala	16,250	11.46
20.	West Bengal	22,856	20.71
21.	Arunachal Pradesh	17,570	10.90
22.	Assam	26,955	21.13
23.	Manipur	18,374	24.32
24.	Nagaland	21,398	29.76
25.	Sikkim	13,680	17.99
26.	Tripura	18,600	18.02
27.	Mizoram	26,770	49.35
28.	Meghalaya	7,400	8.13
	TOTAL:	852,538	881.91

Pollution abatement measures for major rivers

†473. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that pollution abatement task of the Ganges and its tributaries alongwith the Gomti, the Yamuna, the Damodar and the Mahananda under Ganga Action Plan phase-l and phase-ll, has not yielded expected results; and

†Originai notice of the question was received in Hindi.